

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated July 31, 2006. Claims 1, 5, 16 to 22, 26, 37 to 43, 46 and 49 to 56 are in the application, with Claims 2 to 4, 6 to 15, 23 to 25, 27 to 36, 44 to 45 and 47 to 48 having been canceled herein and new Claims 49 to 56 having been added. Claims 1, 22, 43 and 46 are the independent claims herein. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Claims 1 to 48 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over EP 1003307 (Motoyama) in view of EP 0150273 (Kelly). Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested.

The present invention concerns a user receiving status messages of a device over a network. According to the invention, a controller in the device sends data for enabling a browsing software to display a list of a plurality of languages so the user can select a language to be used in a message. The device receives data of the user's selected language, and creates and sends a message based on information concerning the device (e.g., a state of the device), in the language indicated by the user. As a result, the device can be set-up to send status messages to each user based on the user's preferred language.

With specific reference to the claims, amended independent Claim 1 is directed to a communication controller for controlling communication between an apparatus and a network, comprising a data sending unit that sends, onto the network, data for enabling a browsing software to display a list of a plurality of languages so as to allow a user to select a language from among the plurality of languages to be used in a message to be sent, a receiving unit that receives, from the network, language data indicating a

language selected by the user from the list, an obtaining unit that obtains information concerning the apparatus, a message creating unit that creates a message to be sent, based on the information obtained by the obtaining unit, in the language indicated by the language data received by the receiving unit, and a sending unit that sends the message created by the message creating unit onto the network.

Claim 22 is an apparatus claim, Claim 43 is a method claim, and Claim 46 is a computer medium claim, each of which include features substantially corresponding to Claim 1.

The applied art is not seen to disclose or to suggest the features of the present invention, and in particular, is not seen to disclose or to suggest at least the features of an apparatus sending, onto a network, data for enabling a browsing software to display a list of a plurality of languages so as to allow a user to select a language from among the plurality of languages to be used in a message to be sent, and creating a message to be sent, based on obtained information concerning the apparatus, in a language indicated by received language data that includes the user's selected language.

Motoyama is merely seen to disclose that a computer obtains information on a device and creates an e-mail message including the device information. Motoyama is not seen to disclose anything with regard to a user selecting a language for the message, or that the device sends, onto the network, data for enabling a browsing software to display a list of a plurality of languages so as to allow a user to select a language from among the plurality of languages to be used in a message to be sent.

Kelly is merely seen to disclose that a message is created based on a language selected by a user. However, like Motoyama, Kelly does not disclose or suggest

anything with regard to the device sending, onto the network, data for enabling a browsing software to display a list of a plurality of languages so as to allow a user to select a language from among the plurality of languages to be used in a message to be sent.

More specifically, in Kelly, application XYZ provided at sending node 1 passes a message identification, variable names and data, a user identification and a receiver identification to system device 6 provided at node 1 (see page 7, lines 2-8). The system service 6 sends the message identification, the variable names and the associated data to system service 7 provided at receiving node 3 (see page 7, lines 8-14). The system service 7 calls a "COMPOSE" function and composes the message in language BBB (see page 7, lines 16-19). It is determined based on variables 4 which language is used, and the variables 4 are set at node 3 (although Kelly does not specify how the variables 4 are set at node 3). Thus, it is clear that Kelly does not send, onto the network, data for enabling a browsing software to display a list of a plurality of languages so as to allow a user to select a language from among the plurality of languages to be used in a message to be sent.

In view of the foregoing deficiencies of the applied art, independent Claims 1, 22, 43 and 46, as well as the claims dependent therefrom, are believed to be allowable.

No other matters having been raised, the entire application is believed to be in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

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